

Forest Service Planning Timelines

Forests	Apache-Sitgreaves	Coconino	Coronado	Kaibab	Prescott	Tonto
Travel Management Nationally Scheduled Deadline: Sept. 30, 2009	Sept. 30, 2009	Developing a proposed action Sept. 30, 2009	Sept. 30, 2009	Kaibab Planning Efforts by Ranger District <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tusayan – Very close to having a proposed action Sept. 30, 2007 Williams –Developing a proposed action Sept. 30, 2008 N. Kaibab –Planning is just beginning. Sept. 30, 2009 	Sept. 30, 2009	Tonto Planning Efforts by Ranger District <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cave Creek & Tonto – Sept. 30, 2007 Globe & Pleasant Valley* – Sept. 30, 2008 Mesa & Payson* – Sept. 30, 2009 <u>Dates May Alter:</u> * Payson / Pleasant Valley: NEPA scoping Spring 07

The Travel Management Planning Process includes a current roads analysis, developed recommendations for travel plans, development of the proposed action through the NEPA process, then finally construction of the legal instrument (i.e. the route map) that implements the decisions made through the NEPA record.

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Land Management Plans All Actions Halted*	<u>Proposed Plans</u> March/April 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> March/April 2009	<u>Proposed Plans</u> March/April 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> Feb/March 2009	<u>Proposed Plans</u> March/April 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> December 2008	<u>Proposed Plans</u> March/April 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> Feb/March 2009	<u>Proposed Plans</u> December 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> September 2009	<u>Proposed Plans</u> September 2008 <u>Final Plans</u> September 2009

All LMP efforts have been halted based on 3/30/07 U.S. District Court of N. California Ruling (9th Circuit)*

*The USDA Forest Service is enjoined from further implantation and utilization of the 2005 Planning Rule (website) until it has fully complied with the Administrative Procedures Act, National Environmental Protection Act, and Endangered Species Act. The agency must provide public notice and comment on the 2005 Planning Rule (APA), and the agency must conduct further analysis and evaluation of the impact of the 2005 Planning Rule in accordance with NEPA and ESA.

At the time of the Court Ruling The Coronado, Coconino and Kaibab had held public scoping meetings and were well along in gathering background information for Plan Revision. The Apache-Sitgreaves, Prescott and Tonto were not as far along and had just begun public scoping and compiling background information for the plan. Best available estimate is that planning may resume in two months.

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